



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 6188**
Joh-e IKEDA et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2003_0980
Serial No. 10/628,324 : Group Art Unit 1642
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AND cDNA THEREOF

AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action dated August 8, 2006, the period for response having been extended for one month by the attached petition, Applicants herein provide the following amendments and remarks.

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TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE
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